



Saint James Catholic Church

905 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA

www.stjamescatholic.org

703-532-8815

November 9, 2025



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

To those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. - Jn 2:16-17

Clergy

Very Rev. Paul D. Scalia, Pastor
Rev. Charles Pavlick, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Timothy D. Banach, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mauricio Pineda, In Residence
Rev. Daniel Reuwer, In Residence
Rev. Raymond Emedo, In Residence
Deacon Marvin Muhat

Rectory Office Hours

Weekdays: 9:00am-9:00pm (closed 12:45pm-1:30pm)
Saturdays: 9:00am-1:30pm

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am,
Noon, 2:30pm (Spanish),
and 7:00pm

Daily: 6:30am, 8:15am, and Noon

Saturdays: 8:30am

Federal Holidays: See Parish website

Holy Days: 6:30am, 8:15am, Noon,
5:00pm, 7:00pm, and
8:30pm (Spanish)

Low-Gluten Hosts

Those who need low-gluten hosts are asked to come stand at the Sacred Heart statue for Communion.

Adoration

Wednesdays and Thursdays:
12:30pm-8:00pm

First Fridays:

10:00am-Noon
7:30pm to 8:30am on Saturday
(All-Night Adoration)

Holy Hours

Sundays: 5:00pm
Third Thursdays: 7:00pm

Confessions

Wednesdays: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Thursdays: 7:00pm-8:00pm

Fridays: 11:00am-11:45am

Saturdays: 3:30pm-4:30pm and
6:30pm-7:30pm

Baptisms

Baptisms are done every Sunday. Please contact the Rectory office to begin making arrangements prior to the child's birth. Registration in the parish is required prior to scheduling. Both parents are required to attend a pre-baptismal program and are encouraged to do so before the birth of their child.

Marriage

Contact the Rectory office for information and to begin marriage preparation with one of our priests. Marriage preparation is a six-month program. No date will be set for the wedding until a priest has met with the couple.

Visit our Worship menu for more details,
stjamescatholic.org/sacraments/.

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Sister Regina Rosarii McLallen, IHM, Superior of

Parish Registration

To register with the parish or to update your contact information, call the Rectory office or email them at receptionist@stjamescatholic.org.

The Pope's November Prayer Intention

For the prevention of suicide—Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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On The Way

Redeeming Word and Body: Man's Communication

Alone among the world's creatures, man is created in God's image and after His likeness. So, just as God communicates Himself by word (He speaks and it comes into being) and by body (the physical world tells us about Him), so also man communicates by word and body. This is both a gift and a task from our Creator.

The earthy, anthropomorphic language of Genesis 2 reveals how man communicates through his body. "Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being" (Gen 2:7). To be the living being that is man means to be both physical and spiritual. Man is not a soul with a body but one organism that is body and soul as one. That the Lord God forms us "of the dust from the ground" indicates that the body, the physical, is essential to who we are. (Indeed, it's interesting that He forms the body *first*.) That He breathes life into us shows that our soul, our animating spirit, comes from Him directly.

The body is thus not just a physical reality. It is a physical reality that makes present and *communicates* a spiritual reality. Saint John Paul II calls the body the "sacrament of the person." A sacrament is some physical reality that reveals and communicates the spiritual. So, the human body makes present, reveals, and communicates one's soul. Again, Saint John Paul II: "The body, in fact, and only the body, is capable of making visible what is invisible: the spiritual and the divine." You cannot see, hear, or touch the soul. The spiritual reality of our being the image and likeness of God is communicated and manifested by our bodies.

We all intuit this. We presume that a person's outward demeanor communicates something about the person's interior disposition (even when we don't always interpret it correctly). We understand physical expressions and postures – a smile or a frown; walking tall or hunched over; head held high or drooping – as indications of a person's interior status: whether he's happy, sad, confident, beaten down, optimistic or discouraged, etc.

Later in Genesis 2 we read that the Lord God creates another body from Adam's body: "So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh; and the rib which the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man" (Gen 2:21-22). Looking upon the woman's body, the man immediately knows about this creature. Her body communicates to him that she shares his human nature (she's not one of the animals!) and yet at the same time is different from him. Because of this sameness and difference, he can have a union with her that he cannot with any other creature.

In the natural order, the most profound communication of the body is when a man and woman gives themselves in the marital act. Then, the body *speaks* of self-gift and of acceptance of the other. The union of bodies in marriage is not just physical, because the body itself is never just physical. By their bodies, spouses communicate not just this that or other thing but their very selves to one another.

"And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed" (Gen 2:25). This beautiful line expresses the harmony between body and soul that God intended from the beginning. The body was to be the perfect sacrament of the soul, to manifest the divine image and likeness in the world, to communicate the person.

– Fr. Scalia

Mass Intentions for the Thirty-Second Week of Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 8

Mass for the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

5:00pm +Carmine, Rose, and Joseph Mattiello

Sunday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:30am +Jack and Marilyn Manion

9:00am +Thomas Boland

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

2:30pm +Pope Francis

7:00pm +Emel Angel Zapata

Monday, November 10

St. Leo the Great

6:30am +Peter Robbins

8:15am +Patricia M. Jaworski

Noon +All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 11

St. Martin of Tours

6:30am +Grace Sunsook Park

8:15am +Ann and Anthony Bott

Noon +Tony Bilello

Wednesday, November 12

St. Josaphat

6:30am +Edward J. Murn, III

8:15am +Emmette Beauchamp

Noon +Marie Petersen

Thursday, November 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

6:30am +Patrick J. Kelly

8:15am +Martha Gonzales Quina

Noon +Angelina Santoro

Friday, November 14

Friday of the Thirty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Volodymyr Mayewsky

8:15am +Jackie Kelliher

Noon Shon Ramsel

Saturday, November 15

St. Albert the Great

8:30am +Dorothy A. Troy

Mass for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00pm +Ataya Saade

Sunday, November 16

The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am +Stephen and Jean McTeague

9:00am +Joseph Paoletta

10:30am Pro Populo

Noon +Frederick Wall

2:30pm Kate and Jimmy Doherty

7:00pm Gonsalves family

Today's Readings

First Reading

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

"The angel brought me back to the entrance of the temple,"

Psalms

Psalms 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

"The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy..."

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17

"Brothers and sisters: You are God's building."

Gospel

John 2:13-22

"Since the Passover of the Jews was near,"

Readings for the Week

Visit bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar for the daily readings, responsorial psalms, and gospels for the upcoming week.

Remember in Your Prayers

the sick of our parish family

Juan Alarcon

Joyce Babiak

James Banks

Beatriz Basso

Cory Bautista

Betty Brunton

Jim Buscher

Patricia Cavasina

Jane C. Checkan

Chloe Clagg

Grace Coipuram

John Cormany

Mona Demian

Thomas Duncan

Rachel Noonan

Esther Olivos

Roberta Dunn

Katherine Garren

Anthony L. Gerena

Monica Giove

Silvia Guevara

Scott Herman

Laura Lareau

Yolanda Machiado

Jose G. Martinez

Gloria Mora

Mildred Melmer

Julie Neil

Jerry Parker

Carter Parry

Phillip Perot

Colman Rowan

BJ Salinas

Kathleen Seroskie

Robyn Stewart

Barbara Jean Swartz

Lauren Vinci

Liv Wash

Anne Marie Willis

Mary Winslow

the deceased of our parish family

Veronica Valencia de Chavez

Lorraine Caroline Hammer

and please pray for all active duty military

CPT Sean D. Brocato, USA

2nd Lt. James Canady, USAF

1st Lt. Thomas Canady, USAF

Maj. Michael Conrad, USA

LTJG William Conroy, USN

CDR Thomas Dixon, USN

FN Frank (FX) Giaccio, USN

Lt. Mathew Hayes, USN

Col. Jay Hildreth, USA



Capt. Sierra Lancaster, USAF

Cmdr. Bruce Lee, USN

Cpl. James Murray, USMC

2nd Lt. Joseph Murray, USMC

2LT Paul Murray, USA

Capt. Theresa Neubig, USMC

2LT Finn Roou, USA

1st Lt. Mario Suarez, USAF

For changes, email communications@stjamescatholic.org.

Saint James Prayer Chain

Become a praying member of the Saint James Prayer Chain. We are dedicated to praying for the intentions of our parish families and their loved ones. For more information, visit the *Saint James Prayer Chain* page under Faith Formation on www.stjamescatholic.org.



- Sign up to be a praying member at <http://eepurl.com/gURddD>.
- Submit a request to PrayerChain@saintjamescatholic.org.

Parish News

Last Parish Speaker Series for 2025

Monday, November 17th, 7:00pm

Monsignor Heller Hall

Tom Shakely

“The Cure of Nations: Leo XIII’s Vision for the Church and our Political Happiness”

Tom Shakely is the Chief Communications Officer for the Arlington Diocese. He is a strategic communications expert and human rights advocate with more than 10 years of experience in the nonprofit sector. He holds a B.A. in Political Science from The Pennsylvania State University, M.S. in Bioethics from the University of Mary, and M.A. in Human Rights from The Catholic University of America.



Our Hospitality Committee will provide light appetizers and drinks for the event.

SENIORS YOUNG AT HEART THANKSGIVING FEAST

Join us for a Thanksgiving feast with turkey, stuffing, potatoes, and cranberries.

Each guest is asked to bring traditional sides for Thanksgiving (potatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, corn bread, beets, or dressing) to share with 6-8 people.

Father Tim Banach will be our guest speaker. We will also have a sing-a-long accompanied by Ricki Krivijanski on piano and a trivia game.

Please donate 1 lb. bags of dried beans, 1-2 lb. bags of rice, plain pasta (box), canned tuna or chicken for our December Food Distribution.

RSVP by November 16th to one of the following and let them know what you are bringing:

- Kathleen at kmcphilomy2@gmail.com
- Susan at jacksonsusan765@gmail.com

Thursday, November 20th

5:00PM-7:30PM IN MSGR. HELLER HALL



WHAT IS THE REACH MORE PROGRAM I KEEP HEARING ABOUT?

REACH MORE IS A 12-WEEK PROGRAM CREATED BY THE EVANGELICAL CATHOLIC THAT GUIDES LAY PEOPLE IN DISCIPLESHIP AND DEFINING PERSONAL APOSTOLATES. THE HABIT-BASED PROGRAM INCLUDES DISCUSSION, DAILY PRAYER, AND ONE ON ONE SHEPHERDING TO ENABLE PARISHIONERS TO LIVE OUT THEIR APOSTOLATES IN EVERYDAY LIFE.

PARISHIONERS THAT HAVE COMPLETED THE COURSE HAVE ENJOYED LEARNING HOW TO PURPOSEFULLY SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS OF OUR LORD.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE, CONTACT AMY BIGART AT ABIGART@STJAMESCATHOLIC.ORG.



Are You Called to be a Lay Dominican?

You are invited to join the St. Mary Magdalene Lay Dominicans for prayer, fellowship, and discussion on **Sunday, November 16th, from 5:00pm-6:45pm** in the Parish House. No sign-up required. For more information, contact Rose Folsom at InquiryVeritas519@gmail.com.

Lay Dominicans are single or married members of the Dominican Order who have responded to a call to live the Dominican way of life in their own families and occupations.

The Dominican charism is one of prayer, study, community, and apostolate. Of these, study is perhaps the most distinctive element, as Dominicans are constantly called to study scripture, the teachings of the Church, and contemporary issues in the light of Faith. We are life-long learners, who put that thirst for Truth at the service of our apostolic efforts.

Parish News (Continued)

Adopt-A-Family Program

Parishioners can provide much needed holiday cheer by sponsoring a specified family and ensuring they have gifts for Christmas. Many of these families were previously homeless and need to conserve their income for rent, food and other necessities. The names of families in need are provided by social service agencies and parish networks. If you would like to participate, call Mary Ann Parker at 703-241-9128 or 703-321-6854.

Attention Law Enforcement Professionals

Saint James seeks current or retired law enforcement professionals to join our volunteer church security team. **Your experience and knowledge are needed.**

The security team works closely with Father Scalia, our ushers, and the Falls Church Police Department to raise awareness and monitor concerns related to the peace and safety of all who attend Mass at Saint James. If interested, contact Rich Blickendorfer at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.



Join Us in Our Mission
Remember ★ Honor ★ Teach

★ Help St. James American Heritage Girls Troop VA0681 honor local heroes on ★

National Wreaths Across America Day

St. James' AHG Troop will be outside after Masses on November 15 & 16 to sell wreath sponsorships.

You can also donate online:



www.wreathsassamerica.org/VA0027P

#LiveWithPurpose

Behind the Scenes—Saint James Operations Fall 2025 Update

Let Angel-Shine forth in my life out flame!—Edward Taylor

As we strive to reflect God's love by shining in His light, the discerning eye can see God's loving light shining everywhere.

Our Mass attendance is shining. During October, we averaged 3,260 attendees at our seven weekend Masses, up +10% from last year. But there's always room for more! Averaging across all Masses, we are using only 58% of our seating capacity (800).

Our finances are also shining. The first quarter of Fiscal Year 2026 ended on September 30th. During the quarter, Offertory was up +5% over budget, and Total Income was up +8%. As a result, our Net Operating Income for the quarter was +\$78,244 better than what we had budgeted. We do have some large capital expenses coming, however, including further necessary improvements to our School's aging heating/cooling systems that could run \$800,000 or more.

Finally, our campus is shining, literally, from this past summer's projects which include: renovation of eight restrooms in the School and Monsignor Heller Hall, repainting of classrooms throughout the School, crack-sealing and restriping of the Teacher's Lot. There is plenty of work still to be done, but it's good to pause and rejoice in the light we see between swings of the hammer.

In your light do we see light.—Psalm 37

If you have any questions or comments regarding parish operations, please feel free to contact Rich at rblickendorfer@stjamescatholic.org.

Parish News (Continued)

Catholic Trivia Night

'Tis that time again to show your knowledge of all things Catholic! Join us on **Friday, November 21st, from 6:45pm-8:45pm** in Monsignor Heller Hall for Catholic Trivia Night. **The entry fee is a hygiene pack or several bulk hygiene items.**

****Register your team by November 14th.****

Catholic Trivia Night is co-sponsored by our Social Outreach Committee and Catholic Charities and is an adults-only event. Teams of 8-10 are encouraged. Bring food and beverages to share.

Register at <https://forms.gle/dKkgEx8gNrUscRhFA> or scan QR code. This information is posted on www.stjamescatholic.org as well.



Impress your family, amaze your friends, and support the important work of Catholic Charities! Faith, Fun, Fellowship, and Helping Others!

What is not to love?

Saint James Catholic Church
Social Outreach Committee

and



Present...

Catholic TRIVIA night

First
place
prize!

Tons
of
Fun!

Come show your knowledge of all things Catholic! Impress your family, amaze your friends! And support the important work of Catholic Charities!

Adults Only. Teams of 8-10 encouraged. Registration REQUIRED by November 14th.

Can't come but want to donate? Scan the QR code.



Minimum Entry fee per person (must bring to event): a hygiene pack or several bulk hygiene items containing (no trial sizes):

- Dish Soap (14+ oz)
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Baby Wipes
- Std. Size Laundry Detergent

Goods will be taken at check-in. Thank you for your generosity!

Advent Gift Cards

During Advent, the Social Outreach Committee will be collecting gift cards to dispense to Catholic Charities' Emergency Assistance Program and persons in homeless shelters (Home Stretch, Falls Church Winter Shelter, Fair Ridge Shelter, New Hope Housing, and Christ House). Thank you for your generosity in bringing joy to families in need of assistance.

Two options for contributing:

- Donate **\$25 cards** for Giant, Safeway, Target, or Walmart stores
- Send a check payable to Saint James Catholic Church with **SOC gift card donation** on the memo line



Options for delivery:

- **Gift Cards**—Place them in an envelope marked **SOC Gift Card Project**
 - ⇒ Place the envelope in the collection basket
 - ⇒ Hand deliver to the Rectory Office
- **Checks**—Place them in an envelope marked **SOC Gift Card Project**
 - ⇒ Place the envelope in the collection basket
 - ⇒ Hand deliver to the Rectory Office

Families Helping Families

Our parish Social Outreach Committee has been partnering with Fair Ridge Shelter (formerly named ShelterHouse) for years to help the homeless and/or victims of domestic violence. They can house up to 85 people and they are about 60% full and still accepting families.

The shelter needs our assistance now with more bedding, cleaning supplies, and personal hygiene items. Every new family receives these items upon their arrival. In addition, the food cupboards also need replenished.



If you are able to donate, visit their Amazon site at <https://amzn.to/4fnM525> or scan the QR code. Your support allows families of domestic abuse to be in a safe environment.

If you have any questions, contact Susan Jackson, jacksonsusan765@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

Opportunities for Individuals, Families, & Ministries to Serve

 CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON Diocesan Week of Service November 9-16 <i>Love in Action – Service in Community</i> 			
Date	Work of Mercy	Service Projects	How parishioners can help or participate
Tues. Nov. 11 Veteran's Day	Bury the Dead 	CEMETERY ROSARY St. James Cemetery after 8:15am Mass	Go to the St. James Cemetery at 1001 Fowler Street, Falls Church, and pray the Rosary with our Legion of Mary. No sign up needed. There will be extra rosaries for those who need them.
Tues. Nov. 11 Veteran's Day	Clothe the Naked; Pro-Life  	NEW/LIKE NEW COAT DRIVE B Lot (11:30am-6pm) GABRIEL PROJECT BABY ITEMS DRIVE B Lot (11:30am-6pm)	Donate new/like new coats for kids and teens up to 18 years old for <i>Clothesline</i> in Arlington. Donate all size diapers, formula, and wipes. Visit DSW page for details on diapers and formula. Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/DSWDrive to volunteer to help collect & sort all items on November 11th
Tues. Nov. 11 Veteran's Day	Visit the Imprisoned 	COOKIE DRIVE FOR KAIROS (MEN'S) PRISON MINISTRY B Lot Drop off by 5pm	Sign up to donate at least 1 dozen cookies. Follow guidelines on sign up. Scan QR code or visit bit.ly/KairosCD to sign up for cookie donations.
Tue. Nov. 11 Veteran's Day	Care for the Sick 	BLOOD DRIVE (Red Cross) Heller Hall 10am-3pm	Sign up at RedCrossBlood.org to donate and enter StJamesCCFC or scan QR code
Anytime This Week	Visit the Imprisoned; Love Thy Neighbor  	WOMEN'S PRISON OUTREACH RAKE FOR OTHERS (SLOTS FILLED)	Provide spiritual help through prayers for specific individuals and hand-written cards expressing hopes and encouragement <u>or</u> parishioners also can send donations to the correctional facility. Groups of 2-4 or families are encouraged to sign up to rake and clean up leaves for older parishioners.
Sat. Nov. 15	Love Thy Neighbor 	Bonfire & Movie Night (The Wild Robot) 6:30pm between Rectory & Parish House	Celebrate our Week of Service with hot chocolate, popcorn, & cookies. Bring your own lawn chairs and blankets. Will be moved to Msgr. Heller Hall if weather is bad.

Above are service opportunities that still need volunteers and donations. Visit the Diocesan Service Week (DSW) page on StJamesCatholic.org for more details!

The school will have complementary service activities and collections each day. This flyer only reflects parish-related activities.



Serve with Purpose



Pray with Hope



Grow Together in the love of God

FROM LIFE TO EVERLASTING LIFE

Join the Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of
Arlington for a free seminar on preparing your will
and funeral mass arrangements.

****Registration is free but required.****

**ST. JAMES PARISH
MSGR. HELLER HALL**



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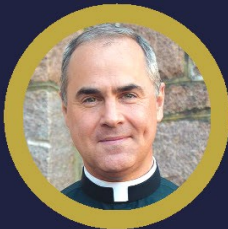


TIME
9:15 - 11:15 AM



SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 22, 2025

OUR SPEAKERS



**VERY REVEREND PAUL
SCALIA**
EPISCOPAL VICAR FOR
CLERGY AND DIRECTOR OF
DIACONATE FORMATION
PROGRAM



SAMANTHA DONOHUE
SENIOR DIRECTOR OF
DEVELOPMENT,
DIOCESE OF ARLINGTON



DOUG MCCARTHY
ATTORNEY & CEO,
MCCARTHY &
AKERS P.L.C.



LUC SEBRECHTS
VICE PRESIDENT,
MORGAN STANLEY

Prominent Catholic attorneys, financial planners, funeral home directors, priests,
and diocesan staff will be available to assist you so that you have the peace of
mind that your wishes are carried out professionally.



**CATHOLIC
FOUNDATION**
ARLINGTON

REGISTER AT
catholicarlington.org/parishseminars
OR SCANNING THE QR CODE >>



**QUESTIONS? CONTACT SAMANTHA DONOHUE, SENIOR DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, AT
703-778-8600 OR BY EMAIL AT DEVELOPMENT@ARLINGTONDIOCESE.ORG**

Youth Ministry

WORKCAMP 2026

JUNE 20- 26, 2026

**ADULT VOLUNTEER
INTEREST MEETING** ...

**Adults interested in volunteering at
WorkCamp as crew leaders or
contractors.**



**Saturday, November 22
9:15 am
Knecht Conf. Room**

WorkCamp takes many
volunteers to be successful.
Adults interested in working
with teens, join us to learn how
you can help!

... **RSVP to**
workcamp@stjamescatholic.org



WORKCAMP SCHEDULE

2026

**Teen & Parent
Interest Meeting**



**Thursday, October 23 at 7:30 pm
Knecht Conference Room**

**Saturday, November 22nd at 9:15 am
Knecht Conference Room**



**VOLUNTEER
INTEREST
MEETING**

**Teen
Meeting**



**Sunday, January 11 at 8:15 pm
Parish House**

**Sunday, February 22 at 8:15 pm
Parish House**



**TEEN
MEETING**

**Teen
Meeting**



**Sunday, March 8 at 8:15 pm
Parish House**

**Friday, April 3
Saint James Catholic Church**



**VIA
CRUCIS**

**Tool
Training**



**Saturday, May 30 at 9:00 am
B-Lot**

**Saturday, June 20 at 2:00 pm
B-Lot**



**DEPART FOR
WORKCAMP 2026!!**

WorkCamp is a week-long service
opportunity for youth of our Parish to serve
those in need throughout the Diocese.

Visit our website for more details. Or email
workcamp@stjamescatholic.org



Visit our new WorkCamp web page, <https://stjamescatholic.org/faith/workcamp/>, or scan QR code.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

**SCAN TO
REGISTER**



**DODGEBALL,
DOCTRINE,
& CRAFTS**



**SUNDAY NOV. 23
4 - 6 PM IN THE GYM**

***CRAFT CARDS FOR
SERVICE HOURS**

SAINT JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH YOUTH MINISTRY

**MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHEDULE 2025**



DODGEBALL & DOCTRINE

Date	Time	Event	Location
September 28	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: JESUS AS TRUE GOD AND TRUE MAN			
November 23	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: DISCIPLESHIP			
December 14	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball & Cookie Decorating	SJS Gym
TOPIC: TYPOLOGY BETWEEN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT			
January 25	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: UNIVERSAL CALL TO HOLINESS AND VOCATIONS			
February 22	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: POVERTY, CHASTITY AND OBEDIENCE			
March 22	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: EVANGELIZATION: THE CHURCH'S MISSION			
April 25	3:30 pm	BASH	Bishop O'Connell
May 31	4:00 pm-6:00 pm	Dodgeball	SJS Gym
TOPIC: FORMS AND CHALLENGES OF PRAYER			

****GRADES 6-8****

Scan QR code to sign up or volunteer



Stewardship—The Gift of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Faith Direct Transition to ParishSOFT Complete

We wanted to let you know that our parish has successfully completed the transition on November 5th from Faith Direct to ParishSOFT for our online giving program. ParishSOFT offers all the same dependable features you're used to from Faith Direct--recurring gifts, online giving, and donor support--along with exciting new enhancements, including:

- **Modern giving options:** Apple Pay, Google Pay, stock, and cryptocurrency donations.
- **Mobile-friendly experience:** Give online, through the app, or by text message.
- **Flexible scheduling:** Choose the frequency that works best for you, including weekly contributions rather than monthly processing.
 - ⇒ **Important note on weekly contributions:** If you previously selected weekly giving, your contributions will now be processed each week instead of in a single monthly batch.



For those who previously used Faith Direct, you should find that your username and password have remained the same in order to login to ParishSOFT. Your existing account information, recurring gifts, and donation history have been securely transferred--no action is required unless you are notified otherwise.

To log in to ParishSOFT, please visit <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-50> or visit our parish website and click the red "Donate" button.

Archdiocese for Military Services USA Second Collection November 8-9

This weekend, our parish will take up a collection to benefit the AMS, Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA. **This collection, approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, is taken up every three years.**

The AMS receives no funding from the U.S. government or U.S. military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs, and services to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women and their families, including those from our own parish.



To donate online, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/49603>.

Retired Religious Fund November 15-16

Next weekend, our second collection will be for the Retired Religious Fund. Saint James takes up this collection each year for our retired priests and religious. Sadly, changing demographics, rising health care costs, and lack of funding are making it increasingly difficult for religious orders to care for those who have given their lives to God.

During the early and mid-twentieth centuries, the Catholic Church in the United States experienced a surge in vocations to religious life, with numbers peaking in the mid-1960s. Care for elderly members was provided largely by younger ones. Over time, however, the number of vocations decreased while lifespans increased. The result is fewer younger members available to support the retirement and eldercare needs of senior members. Currently, 71% of the religious communities have a median age of 70 or older.



To donate online, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/VA50/1493>.

Saint James Catholic School

Join us for our Open House

Sunday, November 16

10am-12pm • Guests are welcome to join us for 9am Mass.



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A Thank You from the IHM Sisters

We would like to thank everyone who supported our 20th Annual Nun Fun Run, the "Holy Hustle." Our goal was to raise \$20,000 for Camilla Hall, the retirement home for our beloved IHM Sisters, in celebration of the 20th year of the Nun Fun Run.

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners, school families, and alumni parents we reached our goal of \$20,000! Our IHM Sisters residing at Camilla Hall will be thrilled!

We are blessed to have a community that supports our wonderful IHM Sisters who have guided our students spiritually and academically for over 100 years.

Thank you again for your generosity & support!



Parish Groups on the Go

Saint James Young Professionals

The Saint James Young Professionals (SJYP) seek to build relationships, grow together in faith, and support the mission of the church. **All young adults, both single or married people between 21 and 39 years old, are welcome to join.** Feel free to let little kids tag along. We always welcome new faces.

SJYP strives to form an authentic and integrated community through regular formative activities and social events. Join us weekly for pickup volleyball at Cherry Hill Park on Sundays at 2:30pm or for running/walking club in the parish parking lot at 6:30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Scan the QR code to join our GroupMe and learn more about regular events like Holy Hour Happy Hour, post-Mass coffee + donuts, and potluck brunch, as well as special events like trivia and ice cream nights.



Email Christina Lebron, cmlebron14@gmail.com or saint.james.yp@gmail.com to be added to our monthly newsletter.



The SJYP enjoyed a 3-mile hike and a nice picnic lunch at Great Falls with Father Tim.

Saint James Moms Meet Up Group

All current moms with babies and toddlers, as well as new moms to the parish, are invited to join our Moms Meet Up group to connect with other parish moms (with babies and toddlers in tow). We have two standing weekly meet ups: an early morning workout on Thursdays and a park (or coffee) meet up on Friday mornings. In addition, we plan special local trips and guest speakers.

Join us when you can! We would love to meet you. Email Ally at dickmanallyson@gmail.com or Adele at adele1@gmail.com to learn more or get on our email list.



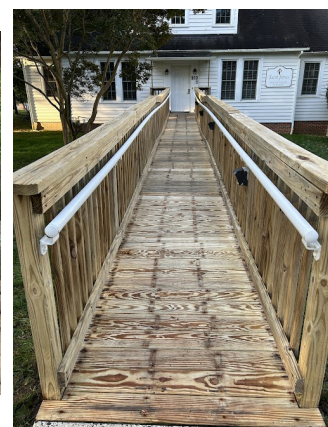
The Moms Meet Up group had a delightful morning at the new Tatte Café—great coffee, delicious pastries, and plenty of space for little ones to play!

WorkCamp Crew in Training

For three weekends in October, our Youth Ministry's WorkCamp crew repaired the access ramp to the Saint James Parish House. Many of the boards had become worn and loose.

This was a great way for new members to meet current members as well as to learn some carpentry skills. Thank you to all the students who volunteered their time to rebuild the Parish House ramp. Check it out.

For teens and adults interested in WorkCamp 2026, email workcamp@stjamescatholic.org or visit our website, stjamescatholic.org/faith/workcamp/. There will be an interest meeting for adults on November 22nd at 9:15am. See page 9 for more details.



Parish Calendar

Monday, November 10	Diocesan Service Week (DSW) Begins (see page 7)	
7:00pm-8:45pm	Reach More Training	Parish House
Tuesday, November 11	DSW Events (see page 7); Veteran's Day (see below)	
7:00am-7:45am	Saint James Fraternity-Exodus 90	Parish House
10:00am-11:30am	Well-Read Mom's Book Group	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Knecht Conference Room
7:30pm-9:00pm	Legion of Mary	Parish House
Wednesday, November 12		
9:30am-11:30am	Women's Bible Study	Knecht Conference Room
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:00pm-8:30pm	OCIA	Knecht
7:00pm-8:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Parish House
7:30pm-9:00pm	First Penance Parent Meeting	Msgr. Heller Hall
Thursday, November 13		
10:00am-12:00pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Parish House
12:30pm-8:00pm	Adoration	Church
7:00pm-8:00pm	Confessions	Church
7:00pm-9:00pm	Social Outreach Committee	Knecht Conference Room
7:00pm-9:00pm	Women's Bible Study	School Reading Room
Friday, November 14		
11:00am-11:45am	Confessions	Church
Saturday, November 15		
7:15am-8:15am	Men's Prayer Group	Parish House
10:00am-12:00pm	Co-ed Bible Study	Parish House
3:30pm-4:30pm & 6:30pm-7:30pm	Confessions	Church
6:30pm-9:00pm	Diocesan Service Week Movie Night (see page 7)	Lawn of Rectory/Parish House
Sunday, November 16	American Heritage Wreath Sale (see page 5)	
10:00am-11:15am	PREP Special Needs Classes	Knecht Conference Room
10:00am-Noon	School Open House (see page 11)	Msgr. Heller Hall
1:00pm-2:00pm	Religion Classes for Parents of SPREP	Cafeteria
1:00pm-2:15pm	Hispanic PREP	School
4:00pm-5:30pm	Hispanic Legion of Mary	Parish House
5:00pm-6:00pm	Holy Hour	Church
5:00pm-6:45pm	Lay Dominicans	Parish House

Veteran's Day, November 11th

Just a reminder that the **Rectory office will be closed this Tuesday, November 11th**, in observance of Veteran's Day.

We will offer all three daily Masses: 6:30am, 8:15am, and Noon.

"That the lord may preserve the members of our army, navy, marines, coast guard, and air force from all harm; we pray to the Lord."

